

REMARKS

With this Amendment, Applicant has proposed narrowing of the scope of independent claims 68 and 103. Specifically, Applicant has proposed incorporating the language of dependent claim 94 into independent claims 68 and 103. Minor changes were also made to claim 85 for consistency with the newly added language in claim 68. Also, dependent claim 94 was cancelled as it was incorporated into independent claim 68.

As these changes only further narrow the scope of allowed claims, Applicant believes that they require no substantial amount of additional work on the part of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and no additional search is needed. Accordingly, entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

On September 8, 2008, the changes to the independent claims (claims 68 and 103) have been discussed with Examiner Rodriguez who has tentatively indicated that they will likely be entered so long as the changes further narrow the claim scope.

Should the Examiner feel that a telephone conference with Applicant's attorney would expedite resolution of this matter, the Examiner is urged to contact him at the number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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